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AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING THE PREVENTION OF SMOKING AND TOBACCO USE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 19a-342 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):
- 3 (a) As used in this section, "smoke" or "smoking" means the lighting 4 or carrying of a lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe or similar device.
- 5 (b) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 31-40q, as
- 6 <u>amended by this act,</u> no person shall smoke: (A) In any building or
- 7 portion of a building owned and operated or leased and operated by
- 8 the state or any political subdivision thereof; (B) in any area of a health
- 9 care institution; (C) in any area of a retail food store; (D) in any
- 10 restaurant; (E) in any area of an establishment with a permit issued for
- 11 the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-20a, 30-21, 30-21b, 30-
- 12 22, 30-22c, 30-28, 30-28a, 30-33a, 30-33b, 30-35a, 30-37a, 30-37e or 30-37f,
- in any area of an establishment with a permit for the sale of alcoholic
- 14 liquor pursuant to section 30-23 issued after May 1, 2003, and, on and
- after April 1, 2004, in any area of an establishment with a permit issued
- 16 for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-22a or 30-26 or
- 17 the bar area of a bowling establishment holding a permit pursuant to

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subsection (a) of section 30-37c; (F) [within] in any area of a school building; [while school is in session or student activities are being conducted;] (G) in any passenger elevator, provided no person shall be arrested for violating this subsection unless there is posted in such elevator a sign which indicates that smoking is prohibited by state law; (H) in any dormitory in any public or private institution of higher education; or (I) on and after April 1, 2004, in any area of a dog race track or a facility equipped with screens for the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs or jai alai games. For purposes of this subsection, "restaurant" means space, in a suitable and permanent building, kept, used, maintained, advertised and held out to the public to be a place where meals are regularly served to the public.

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(2) [This] <u>Subdivision</u> (1) of this section shall not apply to the following establishments: (A) Any correctional [facilities] facility; (B) <u>any</u> designated smoking [areas] <u>area</u> in <u>a</u> psychiatric [facilities] <u>facility</u>; (C) <u>any public housing [projects] project</u>, as defined in subsection (b) of section 21a-278a; (D) [classrooms] any classroom where demonstration smoking is taking place as part of a medical or scientific experiment or lesson; (E) any medical research site where smoking is integral to the research being conducted; (F) any smoking [rooms] room provided by employers for employees, pursuant to section 31-40q, as amended by this act; [(F)] (G) notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (E) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the outdoor portion of the premises of any permittee listed in subparagraph (E) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, provided, in the case of any seating area maintained for the service of food, at least seventy-five per cent of the outdoor seating capacity is an area in which smoking is prohibited and which is clearly designated with written signage as a nonsmoking area, except that any temporary seating area established for special events and not used on a regular basis shall not be subject to the smoking prohibition or signage requirements of this subparagraph; or [(G)] (H) any tobacco bar, provided no tobacco bar shall expand in size or change its location from its size or location as of December 31, 2002. For purposes of this subdivision, "outdoor" means an area which has no roof or other ceiling enclosure, "tobacco bar" means an establishment with a permit

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- for the sale of alcoholic liquor to consumers issued pursuant to chapter 545 that, in the calendar year ending December 31, 2002, generated ten per cent or more of its total annual gross income from the on-site sale of tobacco products and the rental of on-site humidors, and "tobacco product" means any substance that contains tobacco, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco or chewing tobacco.
- (c) The operator of a hotel, motel or similar lodging may allow guests to smoke <u>or use an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor</u> product, as defined in section 19a-342a, as amended by this act, in not more than twenty-five per cent of the rooms offered as accommodations to guests.
- 64 (d) In each room, elevator, area or building in which smoking is 65 prohibited by this section, the person in control of the premises shall 66 post or cause to be posted in a conspicuous place signs stating that 67 smoking is prohibited by state law. Such signs, except in elevators, 68 restaurants, establishments with permits to sell alcoholic liquor to 69 consumers issued pursuant to chapter 545, hotels, motels or similar 70 lodgings, and health care institutions, shall have letters at least four 71 inches high with the principal strokes of letters not less than one-half 72 inch wide. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require the 73 person in control of a building to post such signs in every room of a 74 building, provided such signs are posted in a conspicuous place in 75 such building.
 - (e) Any person found guilty of smoking in violation of this section, failure to post signs as required by this section or the unauthorized removal of such signs shall have committed an infraction.

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- (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any smoking area [in] inside or outside any building or the entryway to any building.
 - [(g) The provisions of this section shall supersede and preempt the provisions of any municipal law or ordinance relative to smoking effective prior to, on or after October 1, 1993.]

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Sec. 2. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 31-40q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

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- 88 (4) "Business facility" means a structurally enclosed location or 89 portion thereof at which employees perform services for their 90 employer. The term "business facility" does not include: (A) Facilities 91 listed in subparagraph (A), (C), [or] (G) or (H) of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 19a-342, as amended by this act, or section 92 93 19a-342a, as amended by this act; (B) any establishment with a permit 94 for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-23 issued on or 95 before May 1, 2003; (C) for any business that is engaged in the testing 96 or development of tobacco or tobacco products, the areas of such 97 business designated for such testing or development; or (D) during the 98 period from October 1, 2003, to April 1, 2004, establishments with a 99 permit issued for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-22a 100 or 30-26 or the bar area of a bowling establishment holding a permit 101 pursuant to subsection (a) of section 30-37c.
- Sec. 3. Subsection (d) of section 31-40q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):
- (d) Nothing in this section may be construed to prohibit an employer from designating an entire business facility <u>and the real</u> property on which such business facility is located as a nonsmoking area.
- Sec. 4. Subsection (b) of section 53-344 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1*, 2016):
 - (b) Any person who sells, gives or delivers to any [minor] <u>person</u> under eighteen years of age tobacco [, unless the minor is delivering or accepting delivery in such person's capacity as an employee,] in any form shall be fined not more than two hundred dollars for the first offense, not more than three hundred fifty dollars for a second offense

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- 117 within an eighteen-month period and not more than five hundred
- dollars for each subsequent offense within an eighteen-month period.
- 119 The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a person under
- 120 eighteen years of age who is delivering or accepting delivery (1) in
- such person's capacity as an employee, or (2) as part of a scientific
- 122 study being conducted in an institution of higher education for the
- 123 purpose of medical research to further efforts in tobacco use
- 124 prevention and cessation, provided such medical research has been
- approved by the institution's independent review board.
- Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 53-344b of the 2016 supplement to
- the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 128 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2016*):
- (b) Any person who sells, gives or delivers to any [minor] person
- under eighteen years of age an electronic nicotine delivery system or
- vapor product [, unless the minor is delivering or accepting delivery in
- such person's capacity as an employee,] in any form shall be fined not
- more than two hundred dollars for the first offense, not more than
- three hundred fifty dollars for a second offense within an eighteen-
- month period and not more than five hundred dollars for each
- subsequent offense within an eighteen-month period. The provisions
- of this subsection shall not apply to a person under eighteen years of
- age who is delivering or accepting delivery (1) in such person's
- 139 capacity as an employee, or (2) as part of a scientific study being
- 140 conducted in an institution of higher education for the purpose of
- 141 medical research to further efforts in tobacco use prevention and
- 142 cessation, provided such medical research has been approved by the
- institution's independent review board.
- Sec. 6. Section 19a-342a of the 2016 supplement to the general
- statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 146 (*Effective October 1, 2016*):
- 147 (a) As used in this section and section 2 of public act 15-206:
- 148 (1) "Child care facility" means a provider of child care services as

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- defined in section 19a-77, or a person or entity required to be licensed under section 17a-145;
- (2) "Electronic nicotine delivery system" means an electronic device that may be used to simulate smoking in the delivery of nicotine or other substances to a person inhaling from the device, and includes, but is not limited to, an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe or electronic hookah and any related device and any cartridge or other component of such device;

- (3) "Liquid nicotine container" means a container that holds a liquid substance containing nicotine that is sold, marketed or intended for use in an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product, except "liquid nicotine container" does not include such a container that is prefilled and sealed by the manufacturer and not intended to be opened by the consumer; and
- (4) "Vapor product" means any product that employs a heating element, power source, electronic circuit or other electronic, chemical or mechanical means, regardless of shape or size, to produce a vapor that may or may not include nicotine, that is inhaled by the user of such product, but shall not include a medicinal or therapeutic product used by a (A) licensed health care provider to treat a patient in a health care setting, or (B) patient, as prescribed or directed by a licensed health care provider, in any setting.
- (b) (1) No person shall use an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product: (A) In any building or portion of a building owned and operated or leased and operated by the state or any political subdivision thereof; (B) in any area of a health care institution; (C) in any area of a retail food store; (D) in any restaurant; (E) in any area of an establishment with a permit issued for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-20a, 30-21, 30-21b, 30-22, 30-22a, 30-22c, 30-26, 30-28, 30-28a, 30-33a, 30-33b, 30-35a, 30-37a, 30-37e or 30-37f, in any area of establishment with a permit issued for the sale of alcoholic liquor pursuant to section 30-23 issued after May 1, 2003, or the bar area of a bowling establishment holding a permit pursuant to

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subsection (a) of section 30-37c; (F) [within] in any area of a school 182 183 building; [while school is in session or student activities are being conducted;] (G) within a child care facility, except, if the child care 184 185 facility is a family child care home as defined in section 19a-77, such 186 use is prohibited only when a child enrolled in such home is present; 187 (H) in any passenger elevator, provided no person shall be arrested for 188 violating this subsection unless there is posted in such elevator a sign 189 which indicates that such use is prohibited by state law; (I) in any 190 dormitory in any public or private institution of higher education; or 191 (J) in any area of a dog race track or a facility equipped with screens for 192 the simulcasting of off-track betting race programs or jai alai games. 193 For purposes of this subsection, "restaurant" means space, in a suitable 194 and permanent building, kept, used, maintained, advertised and held 195 out to the public to be a place where meals are regularly served to the 196 public.

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(2) This section shall not apply to the following establishments: (A) Any correctional [facilities] <u>facility</u>; (B) <u>any</u> designated smoking [areas] area in a psychiatric [facilities] facility; (C) any public housing [projects] project, as defined in subsection (b) of section 21a-278a; (D) [classrooms] any classroom where a demonstration of the use of an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product is taking place as part of a medical or scientific experiment or lesson; [establishments] any medical research site where the use of an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product is integral to the research being conducted; (F) any establishment without a permit for the sale of alcoholic liquor that sell electronic nicotine delivery systems, vapor products or liquid nicotine containers on-site and allow their customers to use such systems, products or containers on-site; [(F)] (G) any smoking [rooms] room provided by employers for employees, pursuant to section 31-40q, as amended by this act; [(G)] (H) notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (E) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, the outdoor portion of the premises of any permittee listed in subparagraph (E) of subdivision (1) of this subsection, provided, in the case of any seating area maintained for the service of food, at least seventy-five per cent of the outdoor seating

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capacity is an area in which smoking is prohibited and which is clearly designated with written signage as a nonsmoking area, except that any temporary seating area established for special events and not used on a regular basis shall not be subject to the prohibition on the use of an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product or the signage requirements of this subparagraph; or [(H)] (I) any tobacco bar, provided no tobacco bar shall expand in size or change its location from its size or location as of October 1, 2015. For purposes of this subdivision, "outdoor" means an area which has no roof or other ceiling enclosure, "tobacco bar" means an establishment with a permit for the sale of alcoholic liquor to consumers issued pursuant to chapter 545 that, in the calendar year ending December 31, 2015, generated ten per cent or more of its total annual gross income from the on-site sale of tobacco products and the rental of on-site humidors, and "tobacco product" means any substance that contains tobacco, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco or chewing tobacco.

- (c) The operator of a hotel, motel or similar lodging may allow guests to use an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product or smoke, as defined in section 19a-342, as amended by this act, in not more than twenty-five per cent of the rooms offered as accommodations to guests.
- (d) In each room, elevator, area or building in which the use of an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product is prohibited by this section, the person in control of the premises shall post or cause to be posted in a conspicuous place signs stating that such use is prohibited by state law. Such signs, except in elevators, restaurants, establishments with permits to sell alcoholic liquor to consumers issued pursuant to chapter 545, hotels, motels or similar lodgings, and health care institutions, shall have letters at least four inches high with the principal strokes of letters not less than one-half inch wide. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to require the person in control of a building to post such signs in every room of a building, provided such signs are posted in a conspicuous place in such building.

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(e) Any person found guilty of using an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product in violation of this section, failure to post signs as required by this section or the unauthorized removal of such signs shall have committed an infraction.

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- (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the designation of any area for the use of electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product [in] <u>inside or outside</u> any building <u>or the entryway to any building</u>.
- [(g) The provisions of this section shall supersede and preempt the provisions of any municipal law or ordinance relative to the use of an electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product effective prior to, on or after October 1, 2015.]

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2016	19a-342
Sec. 2	October 1, 2016	31-40q(a)(4)
Sec. 3	October 1, 2016	31-40q(d)
Sec. 4	October 1, 2016	53-344(b)
Sec. 5	October 1, 2016	53-344b(b)
Sec. 6	October 1, 2016	19a-342a

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